of books for a library has to be approved by the Education Department and then sent to the Provincial Firka Development Officer for approval. For installing a radio prolonged correspondence goes on with the Provincial Radio Engineer even if the villagers make a suitable place to keep it. To get a stud bull a Grama Seva Sangham has not merely to wait on the District Firka Development Committee but the matter has to go to the Joint Director of Animal Husbandry. No health work can be easily organized without going through a long and tedious circuit of routine procedure. I found in villages a latrine could not be made at a suitable place because inspection and permission has to come from far away and even then all sorts of technical difficulties are raised.

After my experience in the Telugu area, I am convinced more than ever that if the Firka Development work should succeed, some way should be found to cut short red-tape procedure and long-range exchange of correspondence. In my view an immediate solution can be found if the District Collector is authorized to order the execution of the works once the District Firka Development Committee has agreed to them. The District Collector can consult the District Officers concerned before the District Firka Development Committee arrives at a decision, but once that decision is taken the District Collector should have authority to go on with the work without waiting for long-range permission from Madras. District Collectors may therefore be given such authority pending a permanent solution of the difficulty indicated.

APPENDIX III.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 102 asked by Sri M. Narayana Rao at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 10th January 1950, pages 1040 and 1041 supra.]

Statement showing the quantities of iron and steel and galvanized iron sheets released for agricultural purposes in the various districts during the period from 1st January to 30th September 1949.

Serial number and depots in the districts.	Quantity of iron and steel.	Quantity of galvanized iron sheets.
	TONS.	TONS.
1 North Visakhapatnam	89	42
2 South Visakhapatnam	62	..
3 East Godavari	199	102
4 West Godavari	215	..
5 Krishna	221	126
6 Guntur	144	30
7 Nellore	231	14
8 Kurnool	49	2
9 Anantapur	113	..

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Serial number and depots in the districts.	Quantity of iron and steel.	Quantity of galvanized iron sheets.
	TONS.	TONS.
10 Bellary	91	..
11 Cuddapah	144	..
12 Chittoor	130	..
13 North Arcot	249	7
14 Chingleput	141	..
15 South Arcot	187	..
16 Tanjore	125	..
17 Pattukkottai	83	..
18 Tiruchirappalli	65	..
19 Mathurai	200	..
20 Tirunelveli	192	..
21 Ramnad	155	8
22 Salem	63	..
23 Coimbatore	132	..
24 Nilgiris	6	..
25 Malabar	23	16
26 South Kanara	21	..
Total ..	3,330	347

N.B.—The remaining quantities of 1,060 tons of iron and steel and 152 tons of galvanized iron sheets represent direct releases to agriculturists and fabricators as well as permits under acquisition.